Involving Youth in Your Substance Abuse Prevention Program

Intended Audience

State- and community-level prevention practitioners

Objectives

Participants in the course will have the opportunity to explore:

- Youth involvement as a youth development approach
- Benefits of youth involvement—for young people, your prevention program, and your prevention organization, as a whole.
- Ways to involve youth in meaningful ways
- The nature of adultism and tips for preparing youth and adults to work together
- Effective recruitment and retention strategies

Description

Involving Youth in Your Substance Abuse Prevention Program offers the information and tools practitioners need to involve youth in all aspects of their prevention programs. It describes the many benefits associated with youth involvement in prevention programming and strategies for recruiting young people and creating meaningful activities that will keep youth engaged, over time. Course materials include planning tools, case studies, and links to related Web sites.

Course Length 1 week (5 modules)

Course Requirements

Participants are expected to:

- Visit the course Web site 2-3 times per week
- Complete all online activities
- Participate regularly in online discussion
 (e.g., post 1-2 comments to the Discussion Board per activity)
- Complete an online evaluation

Technical Requirements

- Computer with Internet access and at least 128 megabytes of RAM (memory)
- Computer capable of using Microsoft Internet Explorer, version 5.0 or higher
- Web-based e-mail account

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